



LAOIS COUNTY COUNCIL
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 (as amended)
AND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 2001 (as amended)

Notice of Proposed Development by Laois County Council

In accordance with Part XI, Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Part VIII, Article 80 & 81 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) Laois County Council hereby gives notice of its intention to carry out the following development:

Location	Nature of Development
Laois County Council Depot Mountrath Rd, Portlaoise, Co. Laois	The development will consist of the following work- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demolition and Removal of an existing Prefabricated Structure• Construction of Civil Defence Headquarters for County Laois• All ancillary site works in relation to the construction of a Civil Defence Headquarters

Laois County Council has prepared an EIA Screening Report in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended). Based on this Screening Report, Laois County Council has determined that there is no likelihood of significant effects on the environment (Article 120 of Planning and Development Regulations, amended 2018). Accordingly, it has been determined that an EIA is not required in respect of this proposed development. Any person may, from **8th December 2022** to **26th January 2023** inclusive, apply to An Bord Pleanála for a screening determination as to whether the development would be likely to have significant effects on the environment.

Plans and particulars of the above proposed development are available for viewing on our online consultation portal at <https://consult.laois.ie> from **8th December 2022** to **26th January 2023** inclusive. Plans and particulars are also available for inspection at the offices of Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, JFL Avenue, Portlaoise, during normal office hours, from **8th December 2022** to **26th January 2023** inclusive.

Submissions or observations with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and the sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, **may be made online** at <https://consult.laois.ie> **5.00 p.m. on 9th February, 2023**. **Submissions or observations** with respect to the proposed development, dealing with the proper planning and the sustainable development of the area in which the development would be situated, **may also be made in writing** to: Simon Walton, Director of Services, Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co. Laois to be received not later than **5.00 p.m. on 9th February, 2023**.

Submissions should be clearly marked: **New Civil Defence HQ – Portlaoise – Part VIII.**

Note: Only submissions made in the above manner will be considered as valid submissions for the purposes of the Chief Executive's Report that will be presented to Council.

The Council is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act. If you consider that any of the information supplied by you is either commercially sensitive or confidential in nature, this should be highlighted and the reasons for its sensitivity specified. In such cases, the relevant material will, in response to FOI requests, be examined in light of exemptions provided for in the FOI Act.

SIMON WALTON
DIRECTOR OF SERVICES